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Substitute Senate Bill No. 494

Senate, March 27, 2002

The Committee on Environment reported through SEN. WILLIAMS of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE OLMSTED HERITAGE ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective October 1, 2002*) The University of Connecticut
2 shall inventory the remaining work of Frederick Law Olmsted by: (1)
3 Conducting an inventory of Olmsted's parks and campuses in
4 Connecticut; (2) conducting an inventory of resources within
5 Connecticut parks that are of Olmsted's design; (3) researching
6 potential threats to Olmsted parks and resources; (4) determining the
7 costs of preserving Olmsted parks; (5) determining the benefits of
8 preserving Olmsted parks; and (6) studying the viability of a state
9 matching grant program to match municipal expenditures on
10 improvements and repairs to Olmsted parks which are recommended
11 by such study.

This act shall take effect as follows:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>
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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:**

Fund-Type	Agency Affected
GF - Potential Cost	University of Connecticut

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill results in a cost to the University of Connecticut potentially as high as \$150,000. The lack of specificity in the bill with regard to the timing of the report and who at the University is to perform the Olmsted inventory does not allow for an exact fiscal impact. At a maximum the University would require a couple of staff positions plus related other expenses. The University does not have the resources within its budget to accommodate the inventory at this level. The inventory could be carried out by students at a lesser cost that would be absorbable within the University's budgetary resources.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze special acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

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